

Application No. 10/772,806
Response dated September 8, 2006
Reply to Office action of July 10, 2006

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In the Office Action dated July 10, 2006, the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement. Applicants hereby elect group I (claims 1-17) drawn to an artificial chromosome vector comprising essentially entire genome of an EHV strain. Applicants further elect the species EVH-1 and additionally elect gM as a removed glycoprotein of the virus. Claims 1-2, 4, 5, 6 and 15 are all readable thereon. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute in one or more divisional applications whatever subject matter is not examined or allowed here.

Applicants respectfully submit that all the pending claims are allowable and therefore solicit a Notice of Allowance for all of the pending claims. If the Examiner feels that a telephone interview would be helpful in advancing prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to contact the attorney below.

Respectfully submitted,

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